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Twenty-eight years of age, the sword, as he then believed, surrendered forever, Mr. Davis, far away from all his old friends, began the life of a cotton planter eighteen or twenty miles from Vicksburg. At the same time he began another and a higher life—that of a hard student in every branch of literature, but more especially history and the problems of human government. As a planter he was unusually successful. Everywhere his possessions grew larger and larger, and when he came to hold the highest positions in public life, in Congress, in the Cabinet and at the head of the Confederacy, friend and foe alike were compelled to admit that intellectually he was among the foremost men of his time in any country.

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